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COUNTRY Poland REPORT [REDACTED]  
 TOPIC 1. Polish Motor Vehicle [REDACTED] Air Raid Precaution Measures in Warsaw  
 2. New UB Uniform Insignia.  
 3. Polish Troops in Chełm and Deblin

EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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REMARKS

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1. Between 18 March and 4 April 1954, the following Polish Army motor vehicles were observed in Warsaw:

25X1 25 March 1954. Truck

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travelling from Praga to Warsaw and carrying 10 soldiers wearing khaki uniforms and red cap bands, passing through Al. Jerozolimskie toward the main railroad station, occupied by two officers wearing red cap bands.

26 March 1954. Sedan

Sedan

waiting in front of the Bristol Hotel and driven by a soldier who wore a khaki uniform with a khaki garrison cap which had no colored band and no piping but mounted an eagle emblem and was very similar to the type of cap worn by the Polish armed forces prior to 1939. travelling toward ul. Swietokrzyska and occupied by a captain wearing a khaki uniform and a red cap band.

25X1 2 April 1954. Sedan

truck

driven by a soldier wearing a four-cornered khaki garrison cap without service color; passing through ul. Gen. Swierczewskiego from Praga toward ul. Bielanska, occupied by a driver and another soldier, both of whom wore khaki uniforms and light-blue cap bands.

3 April 1954. Sedan

waiting on Broni Square, southwest of the Danzig railroad station, in front of the building of the DOK-8 (Dowództwo Okregu Korpusu corps district headquarters), which was frequented by officers and soldier wearing khaki uniforms with red or yellow service color and was guarded by a sentry wearing a khaki uniform with unidentified service color.

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25X1 truck [redacted] parking in front of the barracks installation on ul. 11-go  
 25X1 truck [redacted] listopada and driven by a soldier wearing a red cap band;  
 25X1 truck [redacted] occupied by about 20 unarmed soldiers wearing khaki uniforms  
 hands. [redacted] with red cap bands;  
 [redacted] occupied by two officers wearing red cap

25X1 2. [redacted] in Warsaw, a member of the UB (Security Police) who wore the normal khaki army uniform with red service color. His collar patches mounted a metal insignia representing a laurel wreath open at the top and crossed rifles in the center of the wreath. The UB member said that these insignia were generally worn by uniformed UBs. He also said that UB candidates had to wear collar patches with metal insignia representing an oak leaf pierced by a bayonet.

3. Starting in late February 1954, air raid installations in private houses in Warsaw were checked by order of the Party. The functionaries in charge of action checked on the state of garrets the availability of sand boxes, and basement rooms suitable as emergency air raid shelters. The party functionaries reminded the population of their experiences during the last war.

4. On 25 March 1954, about 100 Polish soldiers wearing khaki uniforms with garrison caps received marksmanship training with rifles on a training ground west of the Chelm (S 52/R 76) main railroad station and about 500 meters north of the trunk railroad line. The training ground was bounded to the east by barracks buildings. On the same day, a military installation looking like a fort and guarded by soldiers, was observed on the eastern bank of the Vistula River and about 100 meters north of the railroad bridge over the Vistula River in Deblin (R 52/L 51). About 30 Polish soldiers wearing khaki uniforms with garrison caps received basic training south of the railroad line. 3

25X1 1. [redacted]

25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. This military office on Broni Square is reported for the first time. The designation of DOX was used in the Polish Army prior to 1939, but had not been reported since 1945.

25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. Old forts are located on the eastern bank of the Vistula River in Deblin. The Deblin - Lublin area is a training center for air force units and paratroops.

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